SILVERA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. As per the Homoeopathic Practitioners (Professional Conduct, Etiquette & Code of Ethics) Regulations, 1982, a practitioner of Homoeopathy shall use any drug prepared according to Homoeopathic principles and adopt other necessary measures as required.

Violation of the above provision attracts the punishment with imprisonment as per the provisions of the various Central Acts such as IMC Act 1956 & IMCC Act, 1970.

Funds for Homoeopathic drugs in HIV Infection

2898. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy has cured nine HIV infected persons at its Bombay centre and made a claim to this effect in one of its News Letter published as early as 1991;

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to provide Homoeopathic treatment which is substantially economical in comparison to Allopathic treatment to the HIV infected persons; and

(c) whether Government have earmarked and funds exclusively to carry out trials of Homoeopathic drugs in HIV infection and AIDS?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (c) No, Sir. The Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy has made a statement to the effect that nine persons out of 51 cases of HIV infected patients have become ELISA negative. This study is still in progress. Separate funds have been earmarked for CCRH, but not schemewise.

Study on Rural Sanitations

2899. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any study about how the total absence of rural sanitation causes various diseases in the country;

(b) if so, what are their findings and recommendations; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) and (b) The All India Institute of Hygiene and Public Helath, Calcutta has conducted studies in the rural areas which indicate that absence of sanitation could cause spread of diseases like diarrhoea, gastroentritis, cholera, typhoid, helminthic infestation hepatitis and Poliomy litis. Studies have also indicates that the morbidity of water and exoreta related diseases can not be reduced by provision of drinking water alone unless the sanitaiton status in the rural areas is improved.

(c) Does not arise.

Vacant Posts in CGHS in Delhi

2900. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKAR DAVE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of vacancies in the cadre of Chief Medical Officer, Senior Medical Officer, Medical Officer and Pharmacists in the Ayurvedic, Homoeopathic and Unani dispensaries under C.G.H.S. in Delhi, separately till 30th June, 1994;

(b) by when these vacancies are likely to be filled up by the authorities;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Estimates Committee of Seventh Lok Sabha

(Page 10, para 1.30) Suggested to the Ministry that a doctor or a member of the para medical staff should at least get three promotions in his career; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereafter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) The details of vacant posts as on 30-6-94 are given below:—

Ayurvedic Physicians	4
Homoeopathic Physicians	4
Ayurvedic Pharmacists	4
Homoeopathic Pharmacist	1

(b) Requisition for filling up the posts of Homoeopathic physicians has been sent to U.P.S.C. For filling up the posts of Ayurvedic Physicians and Pharmacists and Homoeopathic pharmacists, action has been initiated.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The proposal is under consideration.

Payment of Overtime Allowance to Chowkidars of C.G.H.S. South Zone

2901. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chowkidars working in the CGHS, South Zone, Delhi have not been getting OTA payment since February, 1992;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and reasons therefor; and

(c) by when Government propose to give the OTA payment to the Chowkidars?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Production of Vitamins

2902. SHRI G.Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a shortage of vitamins A, B, C, E, K and Polic Acid in the country after liberalisation of our industrial policy; if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(b) what are the projected requirements of each of these vitamins during the current five year plan, year-wise;

c) what are the names of the manufacturers in the country for such vitamins referred to in part (a) above and their estimated annual production as per statistics available with the Ministry; and

(d) what steps Government have taken or propose to take to make the country self-sufficient by 2000 AD in the production of vitamins referred to above and could be capable of exporting them in the International Market?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

संयुक्त राष्ट्र-अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय बाल आपात कोष की सहायता से स्वास्थ्य कार्यक्रम

2903. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव:** क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) देश में विशेषरूप से मध्य प्रदेश में संयुक्त राष्ट्र अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय बाल आपात कोष की सहायता से क्रियान्वित किए जा रहे स्वास्थ्य-कार्यक्रमों का जिला-वार ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान इन कार्यक्रमों के अन्तर्गत क्या उपलब्धियां रही हैं; और

(ग) इस संबंध में आठवीं योजना में क्या लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया गया है?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० सी० सिल्वेरा): (क) 1992-93 में चलाए गए विश्व बैंक और यूनिसेफ से सहायता-प्राप्त शिशु